



2013 Annual Convention Worley, ID

RESOLUTION #13 - 69

“SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION 2013-2014”

PREAMBLE

We the members of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties, Executive Orders, and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise to promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) are representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and specific tribal concerns; and

WHEREAS, ATNI is a regional organization comprised of American Indians/Alaska Natives and tribes in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, Northern California, and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of the ATNI; and

WHEREAS, the United States has committed to working with tribes on a government-to-government basis to support sovereignty and self-determination; and

WHEREAS, the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) is the national advocate for American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian students. NIEA advances comprehensive educational opportunities for Native people throughout the United States with more than 2,000 members, NIEA works with federal, tribal, public, and private institutions to provide all Native students a high-quality academic and cultural education; and

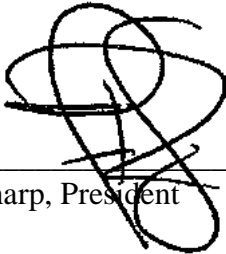
WHEREAS, NIEA will hold its 2013 Annual Convention in Rapid City, SD in October 2013 and its 2014 Annual Convention in Anchorage, AK in October 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Tribes and Native communities have historically worked together to collaborate and develop cooperative strategies to improve the overall education and youth-oriented goals of our Native communities; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the ATNI does hereby agree to support the efforts of NIEA, its Local Planning Committee, and encourages Member Tribes to attend, participate, offer support and sponsorship of NIEA Annual Conventions to ensure the organization can fulfill its mission to provide all Native students a high-quality academic and cultural education.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2013 Annual Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at Coeur d'Alene Resort Hotel & Casino, Worley, Idaho on September 16 - 19, 2013, with a quorum present.



Fawn Sharp, President



Norma Jean Louie, Secretary